

Arkwood

Update Summer 1988

The second round of water samples were collected in April and analyzed for detectable levels of volatile and semi-volatile organic priority pollutants such as:

benzene

naphthalene

pentachlorophenol (PCP)

Independent analyses indicates that these compounds were not detected in any of the drinking water samples. However, samples from two different wells did indicate the possible presence of other contaminants which resulted in the following evaluations by EPA:

• One sample contained trace levels of bis-2-ethyl, hexyl phthtalate. This chemical is a common laboratory contaminant because it leaches from plastics. Also, the duplicate sample was clean and we believe that the chemical is not actually in the drinking water but is due to lab contamination of that sample.

• Another sample indicated 2,4-dimethylphenol and phenol. These phenols have a distinct taste and odor which can be detected even at very low levels. The water did not have a distinct taste or smell. The water was resampled in June and no contamination was found.

PCP was detected in Cricket Spring at 2.9 parts per million.

The third round of samples is being collected in July. If you have questions or need additional information, please call or write:

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